

REPORTS OF
WILLIAMSBURG
TOWN OFFICERS

For the Year Ending

February 1, 1914

1913



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

Town of Williamsburg

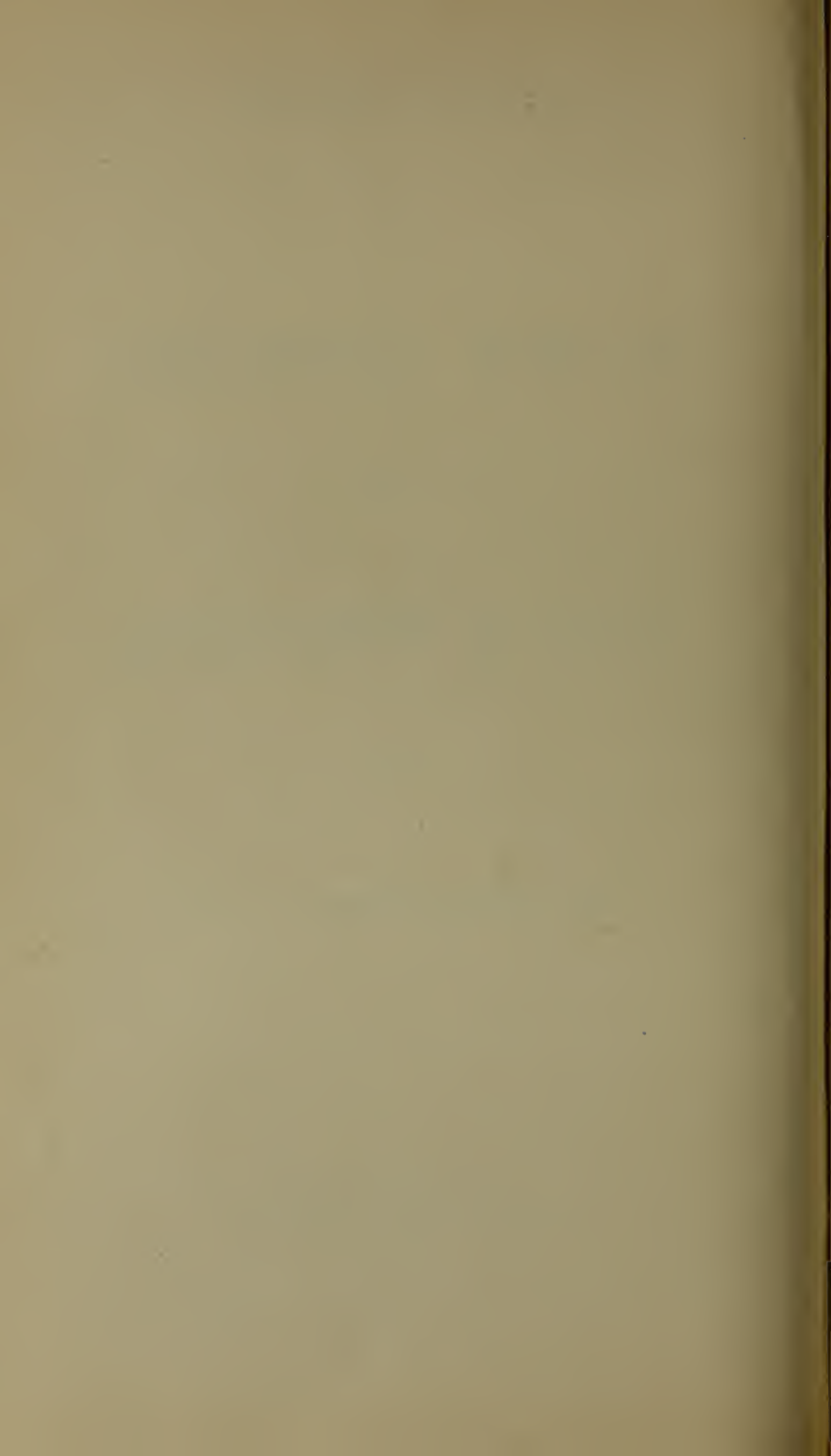
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WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

ARTICLE 1.—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2.—To elect three Selectmen, one Town Clerk, one Treasurer, one Elector under the Will of the late Oliver Smith, Esq., one Tax Collector, two Constables, two Auditors, and one Tree Warden, all for one year. Also one Assessor, One Water Commissioner, one Sinking Fund Commissioner, one Library Trustee, and one School Committee, all for three years. Also to vote on the question : “Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town ?” Yes or no, all on one ballot.

ART. 3.—To choose all necessary minor Town Officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 4.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day and choose a committee to expend the same.

ART. 5.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for oiling its Macadam Roads.

ART. 6.—To see if the Town will vote to install eight street lights, more or less, between the house of Emil H. Miller on Village Hill, in the Village of Williamsburg, and the Four Corners, near the house of Charles Patch.

ART. 7.—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of forest fire apparatus.

ART. 8.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for maintaining Street Lights.

ART. 9.—To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the current expenses of the Town.

ART. 10.—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year.

ART. 11.—To hear the report of the Selectmen, Treasurer, School and other Committees, and act thereon.

ART. 12.—To hear the report of the Water Commissioners and act thereon.

ART. 13.—To fix the amount of the salary of the Tax Collector.

ART. 14.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the expense of School Physicians.

ART. 15.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the building of a section of State Highway.

ART. 16.—To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to contract for the building of a section of State Highway the coming season.

ART. 17.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the protection of its public shade trees.

ART. 18.—To see if the Town will petition the Director of the Bureau of Statistics for an audit of its accounts, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 598 of the Acts of 1910 and amendments thereto.

ART. 19.—Shall Chapter 807 of the Acts of 1913, being an Act to provide for compensating laborers, workmen and mechanics for injuries sustained in public employment, and to exempt from legal liability counties and municipal corporations which pay such compensation, be accepted by the inhabitants of this Town? Yes or No.

ART. 20.—Shall this Town accept the provisions of Section 42 of Chapter 514 of the Acts of the year 1909, as affected by Chapter 494 of the Acts of the year 1911, which provides that eight hours shall constitute a day's work for city or town employees? Yes or No.

ART. 21.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairing Sidewalks.

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last report,	\$1,207 01
Received from taxes of 1912,	4,157 77
“ from taxes of 1913,	17,394 81
“ Income Collins School Fund,	775 80
“ Income State School Fund,	1,313 36
“ Income Whiting Street Fund,	270 00
“ from Temporary Loans,	16,000 00
“ from State Highway Com- missioner,	3,093 33
“ from refund of dog licenses,	151 88
“ for schooling of State Wards,	471 50
“ for schooling City of Boston Wards,	238 50
“ from State for High School,	500 00
“ from State for Superintendent of Schools,	375 00
“ from State for Teachers,	250 00
“ from State, Industrial School Account	272 22
“ from State, Corporation Tax,	390 40
“ from State, National Bank Tax,	572 80
“ from State for reimbursement State Aid,	772 00
“ from State for compensation of Inspection of Animals,	20 25
“ from State for reimbursement of taxes,	8 96
“ from Street Railway Franchise Tax,	801 55

Received from Street Railway, Excise

Tax,	\$587 05
“ from District Court fines,	155 00
“ from Individuals on Poor Account,	162 08
“ from Town of Northboro, on Poor Account,	184 37
“ from Town of Warren, on Poor Account,	22 50
“ from Sundry Licenses,	60 00
“ from sale of crushed stone,	5 50
“ from Geo. L. Damon, on Highway Account,	20 00
“ from Interest on Deposits,	106 58
“ from Interest on overdue taxes,	95 78
“ from rent of Town Hall,	22 00
“ from Town of Goshen, Tuition,	35 00
“ from “ Whately, “	35 00
“ from School Site Loan,	7,000 00
“ from F.L. Taylor, sale of house,	220 00
“ from “ removing tree,	25 00
“ for grass sold,	19 00
“ for stone sold,	2 00
“ from L. C. Graves Estate, for perpetual care,	200 00
“ from John W. Hill, Treasurer, Water Rents,	2,100 00
	————— \$60,094 00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid State Tax,	\$ 2,480 00
County Tax,	1,509 12
Temporary Loans,	16,000 00
on Vaughn Note,	500 00
1 Note School Site Loan,	700 00
on orders of School Committee,	10,490 11
on orders Committee on School Site,	6,325 92
on orders Selectmen, Pauper Account,	1,571 31

Paid on orders Selectmen, Highways and Bridges,	\$3,180 61
on orders Selectmen, State Road Construction,	4,074 23
on orders Selectmen, Contingent Account,	3,054 48
on orders Selectmen, street lights,	1,590 22
on orders Selectmen, fire dept.,	107 45
on orders Selectmen, school phy- sician,	119 00
on orders Selectmen, library,	247 82
on orders Selectmen, spraying trees,	167 60
on orders Selectmen, Mothers' Pen- sion Act,	15 00
Beneficiaries from Whiting Street Fund,	230 63
Hydrants and watering tanks,	500 00
Interest on Loans,	762 13
Memorial Day Committee,	50 00
Repairs on State Highway,	132 50
State Aid,	644 00
Sinking Fund Commissioners,	1,000 00
Interest on Water Bonds,	2,000 00
Certification of Town Notes,	6 00
Refunded to State Treasurer on Cor- poration Tax, 1910,	4 16
Paid to State Treasurer 1-4 License Fees,	25
Deposited in Haydenville Savings Bank, Perpetual Care Funds as follows : I. F. Baker, \$300 ; H. W. Warner, \$100 ; William F. Warren, \$100 ; Lemuel C. Graves, \$200. Total,	700 00
	<hr/> \$58,162 54
Balance in Treasury,	1,931 46
	<hr/> \$60,094 00

INCOME FROM COLLINS SCHOOL FUND.

Dividend on 20 shares of Northampton		
National Bank Stock,	\$200	00
Dividend on 20 shares Hampshire Co.		
National Bank Stock,	100	00
Dividend on 20 shares Mechanic National		
Bank Stock,	96	00
Dividend on 21 shares First National		
Bank of Greenfield,	168	00
Dividend on 21 shares First National		
Bank of Northampton,	147	00
Interest at Haydenville Savings Bank,	64	80
	<hr/>	\$775 80

TOWN ASSETS.

Balance in Treasury,	\$1,931	46
Due on Tax levy of 1912,	625	95
Due on Tax levy of 1913,	3,860	21
“ for inspection of animals,	16	75
“ town of Westhampton pauper acct.,	36	50
“ State aid account,	644	00
“ amount of Sinking Fund,	11,799	10
Balance,	41,636	03
	<hr/>	\$60,550 00

LIABILITIES.

Due R. F. Burke salary for 1912-1913,	\$250	00
“ Haydenville Savings Bank, tax		
loan,	3,000	00
“ Haydenville Savings Bank, Vaughn		
loan,	1,000	00
“ Haydenville Savings Bank, school		
site loan,	6,300	00
Water Bonds,	50,000	00
	<hr/>	\$60,550 00

SCHOOL SITE ACCOUNT.

Loan at Savings Bank,	\$7,000 00	
Received for sale of grass,	19 00	
Received for sale Orcutt house,	220 00	
Received for removing tree,	25 00	
Received for stone,	2 00	
	<u> </u>	\$7,266 00
Paid orders of committee,	\$6,325 92	
Balance,	\$940 08	
	<u> </u>	\$7,266 00

STATEMENT OF WATER DEBT.

Town Water Bonds,	\$50,000 00	
Less amount of Sinking Fund,	11,799 10	
	<u> </u>	\$38,200 90

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Paid Haydenville Savings Bank,	\$357 96	
Nonotuck Savings Bank,	404 17	
Interest on Water Bonds,	2,000 00	
	<u> </u>	\$2,762 13

AVAILABLE FOR INTEREST.

Appropriation,	\$2,500 00	
Received Interest on Deposits,	106 58	
Received Interest on overdue taxes,	95 78	
	<u> </u>	\$2,702 36
Amount overdrawn,	\$59 77	

TEMPORARY LOAN ACCOUNT.

1913.

April 1.	Borrowed of Nonotuck Sav- ings Bank,	\$10,000 00	
April 1.	Borrowed of Haydenville Savings Bank, School Site Loan,	7,000 00	
Nov. 5.	Borrowed of Haydenville Savings Bank,	6,000 00	
		<u> </u>	\$23,000 00

1913.

Nov. 5.	Paid Haydenville Savings Bank, 1912 Tax Loan,	\$ 3,000 00
Nov. 5.	Paid Haydenville Savings Bank on Vaughn Note,	500 00
Dec. 9.	Paid Note No. 9, School Site Loan,	700 00

1914.

Feb. 9.	Paid Note No. 19, Nonotuck Savings Bank,	10,000 00
Feb. 20.	Paid Haydenville Savings Bank,	3,000 00
		<hr/> \$17,200 00

OUTSTANDING.

Haydenville Savings Bank, Tax Loan, 1913,	\$3,000 00
Haydenville Savings Bank, Vaughn Loan,	1,000 00
Haydenville Savings Bank, School Site Loan,	6,300 00
	<hr/> \$10,300 00

STATE AID ACCOUNT.

Paid Agnes M. Adams,	\$48 00
George H. Ames,	72 00
Ellen Ames,	48 00
Catherine Brown,	8 00
Egesta S. Black,	48 00
H. A. Bisbee,	48 00
John Q. Erwin,	40 00
Warren A. Flagg,	48 00
Henry H. Hitchcock,	48 00
Edwin J. House,	72 00
Henry S. Leonard,	48 00
Eliza McCaffrey,	8 00
Jane Richardson,	48 00
Olive Warner,	48 00
Annie M. Rice,	12 00
	<hr/> \$644 00

Paid month of February, 1913,	\$60 00	
March,	60 00	
April,	52 00	
May,	52 00	
June,	52 00	
July,	52 00	
August,	52 00	
September,	52 00	
October,	52 00	
November,	56 00	
December,	52 00	
January, 1914,	52 00	
	<hr/>	\$644 00

STATEMENT OF DOG LICENSES.

92 males at \$2.00 each,	\$184 00	
1 female at \$5.00	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$189 00
Less fees,		18 60
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Paid County Treasurer,		\$170 40

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. HILL, Treasurer.

Town Clerk's Report

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1913.

January	22.	Florence Louisa Bartlett.
	31.	Martin Riley.
February	19.	Florence Gertrude Weeks.
	20.	Davis Watson Snow.
March	5.	Argenia Manolakes.
	27.	Joseph Kovalski.
	30.	Mary Ambrosavitch.
April	3.	Raymond Melvin Lawton.
	5.	William Mario De Bastiani.
	5.	Emanuel Liapes.
	18.	Gladys Irwin.
May	6.	Wactaw Soliwada.
	14.	Roslyn Imelda Brown.
	19.	Ceslof Mataski.
	24.	Neva Arline Nash.
June	10.	Ethan Rice Allen.
	16.	Stephen Bonsick.
	20.	William H. Avery.
July	14.	Gertrude Kearney.
	19.	—— Naumorwicz.
	22.	Grace Blanche Robarg.
	25.	Edward Arthur Fontaine.
	25.	William Gordon Whalen.
August	30.	Edwilda LaFond.
	7.	John Demerski.
	19.	Bessie Ozzolick.
	23.	Lois Esther Bisbee.

- September 5. Victoria Romanynosky.
 October 2. Wladyslaw Zebroski.
 5. Phyllis Baker.
 7. Ruth Emma Richards.
 14. John Philip Trainor.
 21. Felix Leszscynski, Jr.
 December 2. Ellen Malleck.
 4. Catherine Otis.
 16. Gladys Edith Ducharme.
 28. William Lewis Cumm.
 29. Gerald Lawson Clark.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1913

- January 1. Henry J. Laflamme, Northampton.
 Evalena LaMagdelaine, Williamsburg.
 15. Frank H. Vollinger, Northampton.
 Katherine Moakler, Williamsburg.
 15. Marion Michalowski, Northampton.
 Marianna Wzowtka, Williamsburg.
 24. Erastus H. Kenney, Hadley.
 Minnie Anable Frost, Hadley.
 March 6. Raymond S. Hathaway, Goshen.
 Ellen M. Hayes Northampton.
 24. John Prince, Williamsburg.
 M. Jrjna, Holyoke.
 25. William Cumm, Northampton.
 Helen Mary Waltz, Williamsburg.
 26. Frederick P. Crosby, Williamsburg.
 Lura Avery, Bangor, Me.
 April 2. Frederick Joseph Bergeron, Northampton.
 Anna Elizabeth Murray, Williamsburg.
 20. Edward D. Loomis, Williamsburg.
 Ethel May Talbot, Williamsburg.
 21. Anthony Malec, Williamsburg.
 Amilija Holan, Williamsburg.

May	14.	Murtie Joseph O'Brien, Williamsburg. Amanda Roy, Northampton.
June	10.	Geo. E. Hennessey, Springfield. Alice B. Fontaine, Williamsburg.
	25.	Charles Murray Damon, Williamsburg. Eva Mitchell Wells, Conway.
August	4.	Dolan J. Moffit, Northampton. Rose M. Bergeron, Williamsburg.
	11.	Stanley Michelowsky, Williamsburg. Josiefa Wandzanska, Williamsburg.
September	2.	Henry A. Wheeler, Northampton. Selina Pine, Williamsburg.
	8.	Warner H. Nash, Williamsburg. Minnie L. Witherell, Northampton.
November	26.	Leon B. Sanderson, Williamsburg. Marjorie M. Miller, Williamsburg.

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1913.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.
Jan. 16.	Mary E. Higgins,	72 yrs. 5 mos. 18 days.
30.	Florence Louise Bartlett,	7 days.
Feb. 1.	Martin Riley,	1 day.
Feb. 26.	Charles F. Marsh,	70 yrs. 4 mos. 15 days.
Mar. 28.	Cyrille E. Babineau,	66 yrs. 6 mos. 15 days.
April 3.	Eliza McCaffrey,	69 yrs.
12.	Catherine Brown,	78 yrs.
16.	Harriet L. Nash,	65 yrs. 8 mos. 28 days.
20.	Lorenzo F. Swift,	47 yrs.
May 13.	Warner S. Smith,	77 yrs. 7 mos. 23 days.
20.	Elizabeth Vaughn,	56 yrs. 2 mos.
22.	John W. Weeks,	21 yrs.
June 10.	Joseph Kulas,	1 mos. 23 days.
10.	John Edwards Coddington,	83 yrs. 0 mos. 28 days.
July 7.	Walter S. Warner,	24 yrs.
18.	Robert Damon Warner,	1 yrs. 6 mos. 29 days.

July	19.	Ruth Coburn,	13 yrs.	7 mos.	19 days.
	19.	Louis Benj. Duplisse,		4 mos.	15 days.
Aug.	5.	Foster C. Anderson,	76 yrs.	6 mos.	10 days.
	19.	Alidia Garrett,	28 yrs.	9 mos.	4 days.
	22.	Philip Knickerbocker,	67 yrs.	10 mos.	3 days.
	22.	Mary Ellen Molloy,	1 yrs.	10 mos.	5 days.
	29.	Edward Lintner,		1 mos.	16 days.
Sept.	8.	Maria C. Patch,	76 yrs.	5 mos.	
	13.	Fred B. Anderson,	61 yrs.	6 mos.	7 days.
	25.	Richard O'Brien,	47 yrs.	4 mos.	14 days.
Oct.	2.	Jennie Marie Belcher,	71 yrs.	10 mos.	2 days.
	18.	Carrie E. Anderson,	51 yrs.	4 mos.	20 days.
	27.	Moses H. Beals,	84 yrs.	4 mos.	22 days.
Nov.	5.	Joseph Brown,	60 yrs.	10 mos.	23 days.
	25.	Francis J. Cook,	58 yrs.	10 mos.	10 days.
Dec.	12.	Adelaide Alvord,	60 yrs.		
	17.	Phoebe A. Richardson,	73 yrs.	2 mos.	23 days.
	31.	Laura A. Merritt,	80 yrs.	1 mos.	24 days.

HUNTERS' LICENSES ISSUED IN 1913.

127 Resident Hunters @ \$ 1.00,	\$127 00
4 Non-Resident " @ 10.00,	40 00

	\$167 00
Less Fees,	19 65

Paid Commissioners on Fisheries and Game,	\$147 35

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. HILL,

Town Clerk.

Selectmen's Report

To the Citizens of Williamsburg :

Your Selectmen herewith present their report for the year ending February 1, 1914.

Your Selectmen have kept within all the appropriations made with the exception of the Highway which they have overdrawn. This was caused by building 580 feet of Macadem Road in the Village of Haydenville. The extra amount of plank which they had to purchase amounted to about \$500.00. They also repaired the sidewalks at an expense of \$100.00, for which there was no appropriation. The Bridge near the Library in Williamsburg was finished at a cost of \$202.50 for which there was an appropriation of \$200.00, which amount is included in the Highway report. The State Road is finished in the Village of Williamsburg and connected with the State Highway in Searsville. The 580 feet of Macadem Road in Haydenville was a much needed improvement and is much appreciated by the people of Haydenville and all others who travel over it.

The following is a list of the appropriations for the year 1913, with the expenditures under the different heads.

ITEMS OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1913.

Schools,	\$5,000 00
Text books and supplies,	450 00
Superintendent,	375 00

Repairs,	\$500 00
Tuition,	250 00
Highways,	1,400 00
Contingent,	1,100 00
Poor,	1,200 00
Soldiers' Relief,	100 00
Street Lights,	1,600 00
School Physician,	100 00
Fire Department,	200 00
Vaughn Case,	500 00
Smith School,	655 55
Sinking Fund,	1,000 00
Interest,	500 00
State Highway,	1,000 00
Watering Tanks and Hydrants,	500 00
Haydenville Library,	250 00
Memorial Day,	50 00
Post Office Bridge,	200 00
Spraying Trees,	300 00
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	\$17,230 55

HIGHWAYS.

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS.

W. H. Warner,	G. A. Thresher,
E. P. Hemenway,	H. H. Nichols,
John O'Neil,	F. E. Sanderson,
H. H. Cranson,	J. D. Graves.

Paid F. C. Anderson, labor,	\$ 6 60
Fred Guilford, "	13 00
H. H. Nichols, "	211 81
A. Bartofsky, "	98 98
Charles Parsons, "	2 72
G. A. Thresher, "	194 71
Thomas Vaughn, "	68 68
H. H. Cranson, "	4 70

Paid E. P. Hemenway, labor,	\$135 62
F. M. Hemenway, “	50 28
Justin Hemenway, “	23 65
C. Merritt, “	45 00
Philip Burdo, “	34 00
A. Towne, “	22 00
George Harris, “	12 00
Victor Bickford, “	28 00
W. H. Warner, “	143 18
John Geezer, “	28 00
Mark Walpole, “	111 50
James Welch, “	108 96
John Molloy, “	82 94
P. McGowan, “	32 00
F. Loomer, “	36 22
H. G. Hill Co., “	4 50
R. G. Bradford, “	40 50
Harry Warner, “	8 75
G. Williams, “	4 00
George Rood, “	21 50
J. F. Wells, “	17 00
J. J. Handfield, “	13 21
J. S. Graves, “	42 72
E. J. Knox, “	51 76
Geo. Dancereau, “	22 00
O. L. Davis, “	3 25
S. De Martin, “	10 75
Roy Handfield, “	6 00
F. E. Sanderson, “	70 88
A. J. Tilton, “	70 00
John Burke, “	22 66
D. McSweeney, “	59 11
L. Patterson, “	22 22
P. J. Grace, “	29 11
F. O'Brien, “	27 11
William Welch, “	26 00
E. La Fond, “	13 11
C. W. Porter, “	6 00

Paid S. A. Clark,	labor,	\$29 28
John O'Neil,	"	10 50
C. M. Hemenway,	"	2 00
A. Everett,	"	12 00
J. H. Graham,	"	9 00
J. Breckenridge,	"	17 50
E. J. Miller,	"	9 00
J. O'Brien,	"	4 00
Charles O'Brien,	"	4 00
S. La Magdelain,	"	4 00
William O'Brien,	"	4 00
P. Coyer,	"	6 00
H. C. Ranney,	"	2 75
James Stone,	"	9 00
J. J. Fountain,	"	7 85
G. Harris,	"	1 67
C. A. Nichols,	"	10 00
Wm. Chadwick,	"	26 94
Edward Black,	"	2 00
Frank Brealt,	"	1 25
H. E. Bradford,	"	11 75
Charles Dadmun,	gravel,	3 50
F. A. Shumway,	gravel,	3 20
M. Waller,	gravel,	4 35
Good Roads Machinery Co.,	blades	
for crusher,		17 00
Byron Loomis,	labor,	112 30
C. R. Damon,	labor and material,	485 52
G. M. Bradford,	lumber,	6 02
Nonotuck Silk Co.,	railing on bridge,	11 71
James Loud,	labor and gravel,	13 80
R. F. Burke,	cement, nails, etc.,	57 59
F. A. Brooks,	expressage,	2 70
L. Molloy,	sundries,	85
John Almonsitz,	fence,	7 00
Merrick Lumber Co.,	lumber,	3 13
H. H. Nichols,	sundries,	18 17
E. Cyrus Miller,	gravel,	17 25

Paid W. H. Riley & Co., pipe,	\$5 50	
Haydenville Co., repairs on crusher,	1 80	
W. J. Foss Co., belt for crusher,	45 45	
F. W. Thayer, supplies,	14 22	
W. J. Sheehan, supplies,	65	
M. Goodwin, gravel,	1 10	
Miss Genevra Hill, team,	22 50	
Thayer Mfg. Co., pipe,	2 12	
R. D. Ames, labor,	19 50	
G. M. Bradford, lumber,	22 50	
Almon Everett, labor,	10 00	
	————	\$3,180 61

AVAILABLE FOR HIGHWAYS.

Appropriation,	\$1,400 00	
Street Railway Franchise Tax,	801 55	
Street Railway Excise Tax,	587 05	
George L. Damon,	20 00	
Old Iron Bridge,	7 00	
Broken stone,	6 50	
Old plank,	1 65	
Appropriation for concrete bridge in Williamsburg,	200 00	
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		\$3,023 75

Appropriation recommended, \$1,400 00

CONTINGENT ACCOUNT.

Paid T. P. Larkin, Auditor,	\$3 00
W. H. Thayer, Auditor,	3 00
W. M. Purrington, Bond, Treas.	
Sinking Fund,	8 00
C. S. Damon, sundries,	1 45
H. H. Nichols, inspecting meat,	60 00
M. J. Mullaley, Ballot Clerk,	10 00
W. H. Thayer, Ballot Clerk,	10 00
F. LaValley, Ballot Clerk,	10 00

Paid R. J. O'Neil, Ballot Clerk,	\$3 50
C. D. Loomis, Ballot Clerk,	10 00
W. S. Leonard, Ballot Clerk,	7 00
Hans Nitsche, Ballot Clerk,	3 50
Harry L. Wells, Ballot Clerk,	7 00
Thomas O'Brien, Ballot Clerk,	6 50
Henry W. Hill, Ballot Clerk,	6 50
H. E. Bradford, Ballot Clerk,	6 50
C. H. Warner, Ballot Clerk,	6 50
E. C. Miller, Ballot Clerk,	3 50
J. J. Trainor, Ballot Clerk,	3 50
J. R. Mansfield, Ballot Clerk,	3 50
James Dunn, Ballot Clerk,	3 50
J. E. Pierpont, Ballot Clerk,	3 50
W. M. Purrington, Insurance,	80 00
L. Molloy, expenses, sundries, etc.,	29 66
John Quinn, labor,	4 80
H. H. Nichols, cattle inspector,	33 50
Sanford-Putnam Co., books,	4 68
P. J. Murphy, stove and pipe,	32 80
Gazette Printing Co., 500 Annual Reports,	62 00
School Committee, safe,	20 00
Gazette Printing Co., Printing Ballots,	11 00
Thomas Coogan, Moderator,	3 50
Charles H. Chase, Real Estate Transfers,	6 45
Cecil T. Bagnall, Order Books and Notices,	11 25
P. B. Murphy Co., birth blanks,	2 30
J. E. Pierpont, service forest fires,	40 50
L. Molloy, sundries,	1 75
J. J. Handfield, services Dolan fire,	5 00
M. E. Riley, Registrar,	10 00
Stephen Burke, Registrar,	10 00
Wells G. Bisbee, Registrar,	10 00
Henry W. Hill, Registrar,	12 00

Paid Smith School, tuition,	\$655 55
J. A. Sullivan, branding iron,	2 25
John W. Hill, Water Commissioner,	30 00
Henry W. Hill, copying valuation book,	10 00
Hobbs & Warner, blanks,	1 89
H. E. Bradford, cartage, oil, etc.,	1 42
J. E. Pierpont, Tree Warden,	12 00
Knight & Thomas, fire extinguisher,	25 60
Haydenville Fire Co., services at Haydenville Co. and Trainor fire,	9 00
Haydenville Fire Co., services at Bradford fire,	17 50
Nellie Burke, injuries received on highway,	45 00
F. C. Graves, Elector,	10 00
F. A. Brooks, cartage, use of auto truck, etc.,	21 00
Williamsburg Fire Co., services at Bradford & Wright fires,	32 40
Lawrence Molloy, Selectman and Overseer of Poor,	125 00
H. H. Nichols, Selectman and Overseer of Poor,	100 00
H. E. Bradford, Selectman and Overseer of Poor,	100 00
H. H. Nichols, Assessor,	50 00
H. E. Bradford, Assessor,	40 00
Lawrence Molloy, Assessor,	45 00
H. C. Ranney, labor,	1 95
H. P. Goddard, School Committee,	75 00
H. A. Smith, " "	75 00
G. H. Warner, " "	75 00
F. A. Brooks, Moderator,	7 00
Frank Cowing, labor,	1 75
T. F. Larkin, " "	1 75
Orange W. Hill, Special Police,	100 00
G. A. Thresher, " "	5 00

Paid Kingsbury Box and Printing Co.,	
birth certificates,	\$4 50
Herald Printing Co., tally sheets,	4 00
Henry A. Bisbee, Constable, Jan- itor, Special Police, repairs on Town Hall,	101 90
R. F. Burke, abatement of taxes, 1910-11	48 02
O'Donnell & O'Donnell, services,	122 88
Henry W. Hill, District Court fees,	93 35
Williamsburg Fire Department, fighting fires,	10 25
Henry W. Hill, telephone,	15 96
J. R. Mansfield, abatement of taxes, 1912,	201 57
Henry W. Hill, Town Clerk and Treasurer,	150 00
Henry W. Hill, recording births, deaths and marriages, and sun- dry expenses,	54 85
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Total,	\$3,054 48

AVAILABLE FOR CONTINGENT ACCOUNT.

Appropriation,	\$1,100 00
National Bank Tax,	572 80
Corporation Tax,	390 40
Smith School,	272 22
Compensation for inspection of animals,	20 27
Sundry Licenses,	60 00
Rent of Town Hall,	22 00
District Court Fees,	155 00
Smith School,	655 55
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	\$3,248 24

PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Under the provisions of Chapter 412 of the Acts of the year 1910.

Number of persons aided for the year ending February 1, 1914,—49; 7 men, 15 women, 13 girls, 14 boys.	
Number having a settlement in this town,	36
Number having a settlement in other towns,	12
Number of State poor,	1
Total amount expended,	\$1,571 31

AMOUNT AVAILABLE.

Appropriation,	\$1,200 00
Received from other towns,	243 37
Received from individuals,	142 08
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	\$1,585 45
Appropriation recommended, \$1,200 00	

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Appropriation,	\$100 00
Amount on hand,	100 00

MEMORIAL DAY.

Paid Adelbert Bailey,	\$50 00
Appropriation, \$50 00.	

SPRAYING.

Paid John E. Pierpont spraying trees,	\$167 60
Appropriation, \$300.00.	

ACT 763, LAWS OF 1913.

Aid rendered,	\$15 00
No appropriation.	

STREET LIGHTS.

Paid Mill River Electric Light Com-		
pany for electric current,	\$1,509 72	
Paid for lamps,	80 50	
	<hr/>	\$1,590 22
Appropriation, \$1,600.00.		

SCHOOL PHYSICIANS.

Paid C. H. Wheeler, M. D.,	\$64 50	
Paid J. G. Hayes, M. D.,	54 50	
	<hr/>	\$119 00
Appropriation, \$100.00.		

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Mill River Electric Light Co., for		
electric current and meter charge		
for Williamsburg and Haydenville		
Engine Houses,	\$21 00	
Williamsburg Fire Co., 20 men,	40 00	
Haydenville Fire Co., 20 men,	40 00	
Revere Rubber Co., hose,	6 45	
	<hr/>	\$107 45
Appropriation, \$200.00.		

STATE ROAD.

Under the provisions of Chapter 525, Acts of the year 1910.

Total amount expended, \$4,074.23.

Appropriation,	\$1,000 00	
Allotment No. 1,	2,000 00	
Allotment No. 2,	1,200 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,200 00

LIST OF JURORS.

Prepared by the Selectmen under the provisions of Chap.
348, Acts of the year 1907.

Fred M. Graves,	Carriage manufacturer.
John Mathers,	Brass worker.
J. H. Hore,	Farmer.
Charles W. Porter,	Farmer.
Harry C. Hosford,	Machinist.
Thomas M. Wells,	Clerk.
Hubert A. Smith,	Manufacturer.
Michael J. Cusick,	Brass worker.
Walter E. Pillinger,	Farmer.
Arthur J. Tilton,	Teamster.
J. Walter Nash,	Foreman.
Fred A. Shumway,	Farmer.
John M. Black,	Farmer,
James F. Dunn,	Polisher.
George Dansereau,	Farmer.
James R. Mansfield,	Undertaker.
Edward V. Grace,	Brass worker.
George A. Buck,	Clerk.
Joseph Novacek,	Brass Worker.
Thomas Vaughn,	Moulder.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE MOLLOY,
HALLECK H. NICHOLS,
HOMER E. BRADFORD,

Selectmen of Williamsburg.

REPORT OF SINKING FUND COMMISSIONERS.

DR.

1913.		
Feb. 13.	To Cash in Bank,	\$1,398 82
July,	Interest on deposit,	7 66
July,	Coupons from Bonds,	200 00
1914.		
Jan.	Interest on Deposit,	7 82
Jan.	Coupons from Bonds,	200 00
Feb. 20.	From Town Treasurer,	1,000 00
		———— \$2,814 30

CR.

1913.		
April 17.	Bought of Haydenville Sav- ings Bank Bond at par and Interest,	\$1,015 20
1914.		
Feb. 20.	Cash in Bank,	1,799 10
		———— \$2,814 30

ASSETS.

1914.		
Feb. 20.	Ten Williamsburg Water Bonds,	\$10,000 00
	Cash in Haydenville Sav- ings Bank,	1,799 10
		———— \$11,799 10

Signed, BYRON LOOMIS,
C. B. HOSFORD,
H. W. GRAVES.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account, verifying the same and find it to be correct.

THOMAS P. LARKIN,
WALTER H. THAYER.

Auditors.

February 21, 1913.

ALMONERS OF THE WHITING STREET FUND.

Amount received, 1913,	\$270 00	
Balance from last report,	149 16	
	<hr/>	\$419 16
Paid 13 beneficiaries,	\$ 5 00 each	
4 “	10 00 “	
1 “	12 00 “	
1 “	15 00 “	
1 “	30 00 “	
1 “	26 43 “	
1 “	42 20 “	
	<hr/>	\$230 63
Balance on hand,	\$188 53	

Assessors' Report

Total valuation of Assessed Estate,	\$1,088,708 00	
Value of Assessed Real Estate,	\$790,084 00	
Value of Assessed Personal Estate,	298,624 00	
	<u> </u>	\$1,088,708 00
Value of Assessed Buildings,	\$529,240 00	
Value of Assessed Land,	260,844 00	
	<u> </u>	\$790,084 00
No. of polls assessed,	556	
No. of residents assessed on property,	341	
All others (corporations, etc.),	44	
No. of non-residents assessed on property,	63	
All others,	16	
No. of persons assessed on property,	404	
No. of persons assessed on poll tax only,	308	
Rate total tax per thousand,	\$18 50	
No. of horses assessed,	269	
No. of cows assessed,	350	
No. of neat cattle assessed,	191	
No. of sheep assessed,	24	
No. of swine assessed,	48	
No. of fowls assessed,	1,677	
No. of dwelling houses assessed,	420	
State tax,	\$2,480 00	
County tax,	1,509 12	
Town grant,	16,730 55	
Overlayings,	750 00	
	<u> </u>	\$21,469 67
Northampton Street Railway Excise tax,		\$587 05
Bank and Corporation tax,		963 20

VALUE OF PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM
TAXATION.

Literary Institutions,	\$27,350 00	
Church Property,	51,900 00	
Petticoat Hill Park,	1,500 00	
	————	\$80,750 00
Estimated value of Public Buildings,		
Water Works, Fire Apparatus, and		
Sinking Fund,		\$93,082 00

Respectfully submitted,

HALLECK H. NICHOLS,
LAWRENCE MOLLOY.

Report of Library Trustees

The Trustees of the Haydenville Public Library beg to make the following report :

There has been twenty names added to the list of regular patrons of the library during the past year, making the total number one hundred and thirty-eight.

About 220 new books have been added to our library this year, making the present number about 2,365.

In the addition of books the past year we have attempted to secure a reasonable balance between adult and juvenile fiction, likewise including a number of books which should have a marked tendency to raise the tone and character of the library as a whole. While books of fiction were never better, both as to arrangement, language and sentiment than at the present time yet we, as with many others in charge of library affairs, cannot but deplore that such a large part of our weekly withdrawals are of a fiction nature—History, travel, agricultural, biographical and autobiographical are the type of books that should be more often and constantly used from our libraries in order to make the public library a more potent and powerful influence for betterment in our community life.

We would urge upon all our present patrons the desirability of calling the attention of our library to the many who have not as yet availed themselves of the opportunity for entertainment and self-improvement which our library affords.

The Financial Report is as follows :

Town Appropriation \$250.00.

Paid T. H. Ives and Martha Marks,

services,	\$ 30 00	
Mill River Electric Light Co.,	4 79	
Desmond Publishing Co.,	10 80	
Baker & Taylor Co.,	137 09	
Bridgman & Lyman,	61 64	
G. M. Bradford,	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$247 82
Balance,		<hr/> \$2 18

GEORGE M. PAGE,	}	Trustees.
THOS. H. IVES,		
E. CYRUS MILLER,		

Water Commissioners' Report

RECEIPTS.

Balance cash on hand last report,	\$ 229 74
Received for water rents,	2,563 41
Received from town for hydrants and water tanks,	500 00
Received for service connections,	165 00
Received for use of pump,	5 00
Received for pine logs,	6 00
Received from State Highway Depart- ment for water,	2 00
Received for interest on deposits,	18 66
	<hr/> \$3,489 81

EXPENDITURES.

Paid P. J. Murphy, sundry bills labor, plumbing, etc.,	\$213 64
Thos. Culver, labor,	5 06
Thayer Mfg. Co., plumbing,	4 00
C. L. Hyde, labor,	2 00
F. A. Brooks, freight,	1 95
Will O'Brien, labor,	5 25
J. W. Hill, bill, labor and postals,	2 50
F. L. Taylor, bill, labor and gravel,	19 75
Miss J. L. Baker, clerical services,	11 82
H. E. Bradford, sundry bills,	57 96
Gazette Printing Co., for billheads,	3 00

Paid Norwood Engineering Co., sun-	
dry bills,	\$20 75
Bingham & Taylor, curb boxes,	10 06
Crittenden & Munson, printing	
and postals,	2 10
for post cards,	4 25
Dr. J. B. Lindsey, analysis of	
town water,	3 00
Edward St. Laurent, labor,	3 13
C. E. Marshall, labor and expense,	9 60
Paid Byron Loomis for team,	1 00
Nonotuck Silk Co., galvanized	
iron fittings,	2 24
Northampton Electric Lighting	
Company,	190 92
Mill River Electric Lighting Co.,	
power for pumping,	26 20
Mill River Electric Lighting Co.,	
meter charge,	7 50
J. J. Handfield, labor,	6 63
Chase & Cooledge, belting,	7 00
Dean Steam Pump Co., pump,	177 50
A. Tanner, labor,	3 00
Frank Loomer, labor,	4 00
John O'Brien, labor,	4 00
R. F. Burke, bill sundries,	2 45
C. M. Brewster, team to Martin	
place and to Reservoir,	3 00
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R., rent of	
crossing for water pipes,	1 00
Frank Cowing, labor,	5 66
F. W. Thayer, bill sundries,	2 66
G. A. Thresher, labor,	18 50
G. A. Thresher, care of reser-	
voirs one year,	30 00
G. H. Warner, labor,	2 00
Miss H. M. Wells, typewriting,	2 00

Paid The Haydenville Company, sun-		
dry bills,	\$296 14	
Jesse Wells, labor,	10 37	
J. E. Pierpont, labor,	4 00	
H. W. Hill, Treasurer,	2,100 00	
Balance cash on hand,	202 22	
	—————	\$3,489 81

J. W. HILL,	}	Water Commissioners.
A. S. HILLS,		
H. E. BRADFORD,		

Report of Tree Warden

To the Citizens of Williamsburg :

The Tree Warden presents herewith his report for the year ending February 1, 1914.

Spraying for the Elm Tree Beetle was tried for the first time this year with quite satisfactory results.

The number of trees sprayed was three hundred thirty-three, and the cost of spraying was \$300.00, making the average cost per tree ninety cents. The Town paid one-half the total cost of spraying or \$150.00, and, as an abutting property owner, paid \$17.60, making the spraying cost the Town \$167.60.

This year if \$50.00 could be added to the unexpended part of the appropriation, or \$132.40, it ought to cover the cost of spraying as paid by the Town.

The Tree Warden has found the street lines somewhat uncertain on the Town roads, and would suggest that this matter be remedied, as it is important in determining the ownership of trees.

During the past year the Town was placed under quarantine for the Brown Tail Moth. The Tree Warden has not found any moths as yet, but all are urged to report anything that looks suspicious, that it may be promptly investigated.

The Tree Warden would take this opportunity to thank the citizens of the Town for the way in which they have co-operated with him during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN E. PIERPONT.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL SITE.

Appropriation available,	\$7,000 00	
Received,	266 00	
	—— ———	\$7,266 00
Expended,		6,325 92
		<u> </u>
Balance,		\$940 08

J. PIERPONT,
 L. MOLLOY,
 G. H. WARNER,
 E. W. GOODHUE.

Report of School Committee

For the Year Ending February 1, 1914.

We hereby submit our annual report, including reports of the Superintendent, Music Teacher, Truant Officer, and Committee.

The High Schools have been in session forty (40) weeks and all others thirty-six (36) weeks.

The Committee have expended a little less than the amount appropriated for this year, most of which should have gone for repair work which we were unable to have done before the schools began the fall term.

Extensive repairs were made on the Skinnerville building and an extra room provided at the High School building at Williamsburg to accommodate a third teacher which was advised by the State Board of Education.

We would recommend for repairs this year, the slating of the South Street and Mountain Street buildings and painting the Haydenville Centre building, and metal ceilings on two rooms of the Haydenville Centre building, besides general repairs on all others.

G. H. WARNER,
H. P. GODDARD,
H. A. SMITH.

Treasurer's Report

AVAILABLE FOR SCHOOLS.

Town Appropriation, Teachers,	\$5,000 00
“ “ Superintendent,	375 00
“ “ Text Books and	
supplies,	450 00
“ “ Repairs,	500 00
“ “ Tuition,	250 00
Income of State School Fund,	1,313 36
“ Collins “	775 80
Schooling of State Wards,	471 50
Schooling City of Boston Wards,	238 50
High School Tuition, from State,	500 00
Supt. of Schools Fund, “	350 00
Teachers' Fund, “	275 00
Refund of Dog Tax,	151 88
Town of Goshen, Tuition,	35 00
Town of Whately, Tuition,	35 00
	—————\$10,721 04

MUSIC.

Arthur P. Schmidt,	\$ 82
Grace M. Larkin,	399 00
C. W. Thompson,	78
White Smith Co.,	1 67
G. Schirmer,	77
C. C. Birchard,	1 46
Oliver Ditson,	3 20
	————— \$407 70

JANITOR.

Henry Dansereau,	\$245 00	
Elsie Smart,	23 00	
Queenie Lawrence,	8 00	
Nellie A. Dolan,	8 00	
Katherine V. Riley,	12 00	
A. Bailey,	159 25	
Eva M. Wells,	10 00	
Lucy H. Kenney,	10 00	
Mary E. Larkin,	7 00	
Jennie L. Nichols,	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$492 25

JANITORS' SUPPLIES.

R. F. Burke,	\$11 99	
W. J. Sheehan,	12 85	
J. A. Wattie,	7 00	
	<hr/>	\$31 84

FUEL.

C. W. Warner,	\$ 1 25	
M. M. Dolan,	1 25	
T. I. Breckenridge,	378 64	
J. S. Graves,	27 25	
A. Bailey,	2 15	
G. M. Bradford,	3 25	
M. H. Smart,	1 00	
M. N. Adams,	19 62	
J. A. Wattie,	4 06	
J. R. Mansfield,	24 00	
	<hr/>	\$462 47

SUNDRIES.

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.,	\$14 02	
Queenie Lawrence,	65	
Crittenden & Munson,	2 25	
Chas. N. Fitts,	3 50	
A. Bailey,	80	
F. L. Taylor, rent of building,	54 00	
R. F. Burke,	2 05	
C. S. Wheeler,	1 00	
E. W. Goodhue, Industrial Club,	10 00	
Mary Larkin,	78	
Town of Williamsburg, water and tap-		
ping main,	88 35	
Rev. H. G. Smith, address,	5 00	
W. J. Sheehan,	7 05	
Henry Dansereau,	25	
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	\$189 70	
Hazel Warner,	5 00	
Frederick Smith,	5 00	
Hammond & Hammond,	6 00	
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		\$205 70

SUPERINTENDENT.

E. W. Goodhue,	\$750 00
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BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Edward E. Babb & Co.,	\$302 71
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	8 23
Esterbrook Pen Co.,	5 40
Chas. E. Mirrell Co.,	14 80
Ginn & Co.,	16 27
American Book Co.,	5 20
D. C. Heath & Co.,	10 99
Sears Roebuck Co.,	21 24

A. N. Palmer,	\$3 20	
Oval Koster,	12 46	
Kingsbury Box Co.,	1 25	
E. W. Goodhue,	29 53	
Gazette Printing Co.,	11 00	
J. W. Heffernan,	8 40	
J. A. Sullivan,	3 00	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.,	6 38	
Forbes & Wallace,	9 20	
Milton Bradley,	5 08	
Geo. T. Johnson,	22 37	
Educational Press Co.,	7 00	
H. E. Bradford,	2 05	
Columbia Supply Co.,	1 92	
W. Alair,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$509 47

CLEANING.

Effie M. Wells,	\$2 00	
Mrs. John Quinn,	5 70	
A. Bailey and helpers,	10 25	
Henry Dansereau,	25 80	
Mrs. Reuben Dewey,	2 25	
C. A. Nichols,	2 00	
M. H. Smart,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$52 00

TRANSPORTATION.

Northampton Street Railway,	\$200 00	
S. A. Clark,	160 00	
E. P. Hemenway,	158 00	
Henry Goodwin,	99 00	
	<hr/>	\$617 00

TUITION.

City of Northampton,	\$90 00
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REPAIRS.

C. W. Warner,	\$2 50
A. Bailey,	7 30
John Alvord,	4 05
Thayer Mfg. Co.,	11 68
R. G. Bradford,	7 50
H. E. Bradford,	6 21
Joseph Ball,	88 87
Edward Quinn,	8 60
W. H. Thayer,	65 95
Henry Dansereau,	15 80
R. F. Burke,	12 28
C. A. Nichols,	1 73
E. F. Miller,	5 00
J. A. Sullivan,	69
J. A. Wattie,	5 40
J. C. Fountain,	4 00
P. J. Murphy,	60 00
F. A. Brooks,	4 70
Sears Roebuck,	48 25
E. J. Richurbault,	2 92
Chas. H. Church,	3 00
C. A. Cooledge,	2 50
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	\$368 93

TEACHERS.

Williamsburg High,	E. P. Larkin, Jr.,	\$840 00
“	High, A. E. Blodgett,	501 00
“	High, Anna T. Dunphy,	143 00
“	Gram., Ethel M. Cranson,	160 00
“	Gram., Isabel McFarland,	180 00
“	First Prim., K. T. Riley,	380 00
“	2nd Prim., I. McFarland,	164 00
“	2nd Prim., Nellie Dolan,	180 00
Skinnerville,	Nellie A. Dolan,	172 00
“	Mary E. Larkin,	164 00

Searsville,	Queenie Lawrence,	\$144 00
"	Jennie L. Nichols,	180 00
Nash Street,	Lucy H. Kenney,	162 00
"	" Alice M. Plimpton,	180 00
Mountain St.,	Eva M. Wells,	144 00
"	" Lucy H. Kenney,	162 00
Haydenville High,	Frank J. Lynch,	250 00
"	" Joseph McInerney,	37 50
"	" Chas. P. McDonald,	147 50
"	Gram., Josephine G. Cahill,	396 00
"	Intermediate, Helen G. Ryan,	378 00
"	First Prim., E. Purrington,	396 00
"	2nd Prim., Ethel Curry,	370 00
"	3rd Prim., E. K. Mullaly,	160 00
"	3rd Prim., Julia F. Keenan,	200 00
		————— \$6,191 00

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the Members of the School Committee of Williamsburg :

GENTLEMEN :—In accordance with custom your superintendent herewith presents his annual report for your consideration and approval.

The usual number of schools have been in session during the entire year and the work accomplished by them has been of the same character as that of last year. It is not to be expected that all difficulties and unfortunate circumstances can be entirely overcome in any year and all criticism be needless, such a condition is ideal only. When we have as in this town such an evident interest in education, such good attendance on the schools, and devotion to the work by the pupils generally, we ought to feel that, for all the minor disturbances and unpleasantnesses that must arise in all public activities, we are fortunate and enjoying excellent advantages. It is not necessary to consider in detail the individual teachers or schools, the very fact that we have been able to retain with us such a corps of tried and experienced teachers is sufficient evidence that our school work has been well done.

It will be seen by the tabular statement following this report that the number of pupils in town has increased slightly and the indications are that this increase is to continue. There has been little interruption of regular sessions by illness or unfavorable weather conditions and attendance has been quite regular. There has been no radical change of method or courses attempted during the

year, as it seems that too much interference and agitation leads to confusion and uncertainty, two things most inimical to progress. There have been six changes in the teaching force made necessary by more or less unfortunate circumstances likely to occur in any community similarly situated. At present, we have an able body of instructors and the work in the schools is progressing steadily and profitably. The Palmer Method of penmanship has been introduced in part in several schools and the results seem to indicate that, with proper supervision, more can be accomplished by this method than by any previously in use. As in all others, success depends upon the character of the instruction given by the teachers, but it affords opportunity for systematic conduct and expert assistance not common to most.

Our town has been wonderfully fortunate in the gifts received for the improvement of its educational facilities.

The new school building, the gift of Mrs. Helen James, is one that deserves the everlasting gratitude of our citizens since it has made it possible to give so large a number of children those sanitary, attractive and comfortable conditions which are due them in the public school, and the equipment necessary for obtaining the most complete results from teaching energy and financial outlay. We certainly should recognize the fact that in such a person as Mrs. James we have the highest ideal of effective community service. With the ample playgrounds furnished by the generosity of the town it must be conceded that those fortunate enough to attend the Center School will have given them those things which we have so long considered essential to school equipment and failure in certain directions cannot be attributed to their absence. Such a structure as this with its surroundings not only furnishes ideal school conditions but adds to the beauty of the village, the attractiveness of the town as a residential location, and serves to increase that civic pride which will lead to higher ideas of community life and substantial improvement in all directions. Especial attention is directed to the assembly hall

connected with the building and, while it is not possible, just now, to give in detail, the desires of the donor in connection with this, yet sufficient has been said to indicate that she thoroughly appreciates the tremendous possibilities of collective and united effort. It is to be the people's forum and civic center where the individual citizen's opinion may be expressed with assurance that it shall receive consideration, and where social enjoyment, mutual respect and helpfulness, closer individual acquaintance, broader views, recognition of worth and ability and Christian charity shall be developed and enlarged. It remains to be seen whether or not we do our part essential to the completion of the plan.

For years there has been a constant endeavor on the part of the school authorities supported by the citizens, to establish in the town a high school which should be an honor to the community, command the respect of the people and give the young people an opportunity for receiving that instruction due them. It has been necessary to develop this in the face of many obstacles, inadequate equipment, insufficient room and small teaching force, but the result has been really remarkable and we have good reason to be proud of the fact that so much has been accomplished under the circumstances. While no revolution in high school work or theoretical experiments have been introduced, the course has been developed along recognized lines of value and in accordance with the generally accepted ideas of such courses and, just so far as conditions would permit, it has done real high school work. We now have one of the largest schools of any community of this size, capable and devoted teachers and a student body which by its exemplary conduct, appreciation of effort and attention to the performance of duty is deserving of commendation.

As the new school building will give increased accommodations the teaching of subjects not before possible should be undertaken and the scope and value of the courses increased just as far as our resources and reasonable demands will permit. It is a great pleasure to speak of the enthusi-

astic and efficient work of our instructors in this school and recognize the effects of their example and characters upon — those under their charge. It was necessary to employ another teacher in the school and increase the length of recitations because of the requirements of the State Board, and we have been made considerable expense and caused trouble in complying with requirments, and there is little doubt but what owing to the peculiar circumstances the law really worked an injustice in our case, yet it must be conceded that the intention of the law is just and the requirements based on true and necessary educational principles, certainly we cannot afford to lose the State approval.

The central schools have, with two exceptions, been in charge of former teachers, which is about all that need be said to convince the people that the work has been faithfully and fully accomplished. Every year serves to emphasize the wisdom of retaining just so long as possible our tried and experienced teachers, every change causes some injury and if these are common and numerous the cumulative effects cannot but be decidedly damaging and noticeable. As sometimes occurs, the Haydenville High-Grammar School has been the chief sufferer from change of teachers. This school is peculiarly affected by circumstances and presents difficult problems for solution. While the school as organized has very few pupils and only two grades, yet the inclusion of a ninth grade requires the services of a competent instructor in advanced subjects, the salary we can offer is totally insufficient to enable us to secure the services of an experienced and capable teacher. Young men without teaching experience are given positions paying double the amount immediately on leaving college or normal schools. We are forced to accept inexperienced teachers and trust to good luck for results. It has been our good fortune to secure many excellent teachers for this school but it was because they were so situated with reference to their homes that it was possible, and to expect this condition to always be present is absurd.

Within a few days of the time for the opening of the schools last fall only one candidate was available, and trusting to testimonials and personal recommends he was engaged. The result was most disastrous to the school, and but for the fortunate circumstances that we had an extra teacher able to fill the position temporarily, we should have been placed in a most awkward and unpleasant position. Happily good fortune again favored us and we secured Mr. McDonnell who has proved fully equal to the position and is giving us an excellent and profitable school, but the injury received has not been overcome and its influence will remain. The ninth grade should be placed — in the Williamsburg Center School both for the reasons above stated and the best interests of the pupils, also the expense would be lessened. The fact remains that a building accommodating so many children should have a man principal, not because of the inability of several of our present teachers to perform the duties, but because there is a restraining influence in the very presence of the right man which is often lacking in a woman principal.

The out schools have continued to do good work under new teachers but cannot be expected to accomplish so much as is done in the centers because of the constant change of teachers as before mentioned, and the greater number of grades in them which permits to them only a fraction of the time given to the grades in central schools. Two of these schools remarkably illustrate the shifting conditions attendant on rural communities. The Mountain Street School now has only eight pupils while the Searsville School has over twenty. The latter has presented some new problems in the matters of organizing classes and discipline because of the increase in number, but the teacher with her experience and ability has succeeded in solving most of them with tact and judgment and the school is now in better condition for the accomplishment of work than it has been for some time.

The changes made at Skinnerville and in the Haydenville Third Primary schools have resulted in bringing to

us two competent and progressive teachers who are keeping the schools well up to the previous standards and proving the wisdom of our choice. It was with the greatest regret that we received the resignations of three of our most capable teachers. Mr. Lynch had proved himself just the person for the position occupied and maintained a spirit of work in his room which produced most desirable results, while he secured and retained the respect and good-will of both parents and pupils. Miss Mullaly had served us for years faithfully and successfully and her resignation was the first real break in the company of teachers, citizens of the town, which has been with us for some years and to whose efforts are now due, in great measure, the intelligence and respectability of our community. Miss Wells while not in our employ as long had yet succeeded in proving her ability as a teacher and left the impress of her sterling worth and faithful instruction on all under her charge.

Instruction in vocal music has been continued under the able supervision of Miss Larkin, and the character of the work done by her is too well known to require special mention here. Suffice it to say that there is no decrease in interest and her efforts are continually bearing fruit. The organizing of glee clubs in the High School adds materially to interest and affords additional drill.

The exercises at the Municipal Christmas Tree in Haydenville under the direction of Miss Larkin were excellent and the singing by the school children convinced all present that their instruction had been of the best.

We have been able to continue the drawing course in Haydenville with the same supervisor and similar efficiency as in the past. The Batavia teaching was interrupted by the necessity of placing the teacher in the High-Grammar Room, but we hope to resume it soon.

The School Industrial Club gave its annual exhibition in the Club Hall at Haydenville this year, as the Town Hall was engaged by the Grange for the day of the exhibit. This circumstance and the character of the season combined

to decrease the number of exhibits, but those presented were good and gave evidence of increased knowledge and care in the raising of certain crops. The address by Prof. Hart of the Agricultural College in the evening was appreciated by the good-sized audience of citizens in attendance. It is desired at this time to thank every organization and individual who contributed to the success of this event in any way. Special thanks are due the Haydenville Club for the courtesy shown in the use of hall and other assistance.

The exercises attending the graduation of the High School Class were held in the Town Hall as usual and were of a character deserving credit. The class consisted of twelve members, eight of whom completed the Classical and four the English Course. The address was by Rev. Henry Smith of Northampton, and songs by the Glee Club and School Chorus furnished music for the occasion. The event was somewhat unique and should be historical, as it was the first in which diplomas of a completed high school course were ever granted in the town.

We are again fortunate in that we are able to share in the generosity of a person deeply interested in our welfare and backing his interest with cash. This is the only district in the state receiving systematic instruction in agriculture under the supervision of a skilled director, in the primary grades. While the time has been short in which this has been possible, yet there has already been formulated a course which is now begun in the schools and the pupils are taking more and more interest in the subject. Mr. Edwards comes to us enthusiastic and energetic, with training and experience, and if the plans already formulated can be carried out we shall see more attention paid to those industries which are of great importance to us than ever before. The projects of the Industrial Club are to be enlarged, canning clubs, potato clubs and poultry clubs are already organized. The Agricultural Extension Service is willing to aid us in every possible way and is working hand-in-hand with our director, and the State is

perfectly willing to direct all effort. It is for us to give the project our hearty support and co-operation that all possible of good may be derived, and that we may prove to the many watching the experiment here that we are able to lead in great and good results.

The improvements made at Skinnerville which have long been needed have transformed an unsightly and unattractive spot into one that reflects credit on the community and no more do we hear the unfavorable comments of passers-by, while the pupils are more comfortable and given more opportunity for pride in their school. The Haydenville central schoolhouse is in need of painting and some repairs, otherwise our buildings are in good condition and, if the present policy is pursued, will soon be generally attractive and pleasant.

We can confidently assert that our schools are doing well and giving us good returns for our expenditure of labor and money, provided we do not undertake to measure all values with dollars and cents.

Without doubt there are changes necessary to meet the requirements and demands of the present, but these should come gradually and not interfere with the work which must be done to prepare our pupils for entrance into other schools, and certainly they must be protected from the uninformed and even reckless revolutionary schemes advocated by persons seeking notoriety or desirous only of change. The material with which we work is far too precious to be wasted in theoretical experimentation. Your superintendent favors, and always has favored, as reference to his past reports will show, all progressive ideas which have received the sanction and approval of those qualified by training and experience to judge of them.

In closing this report, it is desired to express great appreciation of the kind and helpful spirit manifested by the citizens, and to thank them and the teachers for the assistance so freely rendered.

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. GOODHUE,

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

SUPERINTENDENT E. W. GOODHUE :

DEAR SIR :—In reporting on the music in the schools for the past year, I am very happy to say that “Continued Progress” has proven an unfailing motto with us.

The interest shown by both pupils and teachers in the work not only increases but has at last reached the community in general. To prove to the general public that music is a very important factor in our school life has been our earnest desire. This year the personal interest that has been expressed is a great incentive to pupils and teachers, and leads us to believe that our untiring efforts have at last succeeded in bringing forth splendid fruits from seeds so carefully planted and diligently guarded.

Each year the pupils are adapting themselves much more readily to all the principles and problems in the various grades.

So many have had the idea that music is simply to be able to sing a few songs, and the duty of the Supervisor is to “sing over” the songs to the pupils and to keep the teachers supplied with singing material. The general statement of people who have visited the schools and seen the recitation conducted is that they had no idea there was so much to the subject.

The idea of singing or playing a song to the pupils, or in other words, teaching songs by rote, cannot be carried on in music any more than in any other subject, that is, if it is properly and successfully taught. A person who expects to be a good musician or even a pupil who hopes to keep up to his class in music must be able to master all the problems of tune and time, under which is included keys and key signatures, chromatic tones and the use of the five chromatic characters, structure of major and minor scales, bass, treble and tenor clefs, intervals, transposition, all time principles and combinations and variations of same, various kinds of measure structure and time

signatures, and be able to apply any of these principles to the sight singing of material selected by the instructor. The same principles do not apply to every song any more than do the same rules and principles apply to the various problems in mathematics or languages.

The work done in the schools shows careful application of good, sensible principles which have been thoroughly tested and given excellent results.

Each week the lessons are planned and presented by the Supervisor, which is I am happy to say very conscientiously carried out by the regular teacher during the week.

I am also very pleased to say that our schools have been visited by a number of superintendents and teachers from other towns and they have been very enthusiastic in their praises.

Last year the only public exhibitions of our work were at Graduation Industrial Exhibit and the various Christmas entertainments, including the "Out-door Christmas Tree."

Many have expressed their appreciation of these and especially recommended the annual "Out-door Christmas Tree" observance.

This spring we are planning on presenting an operetta, "A Merry Company," also selections from "The Rose Maiden." The success of all former entertainments warrants our surety of great encouragement from the townspeople.

With sincere appreciation to the parents and much gratitude to the pupils, teachers and school directors for their ready co-operation, I am,

Respectfully,

GRACE M. LARKIN.

REPORT OF DRAWING SUPERVISOR.

MR. E. W. GOODHUE, Superintendent of Schools.

DEAR SIR:—The annual report upon the subject of drawing I herewith submit for your consideration.

The line of work in drawing, the past year, in the primary grades has been in general, very satisfactory and most interesting to the teachers as well as to the little ones. It is really wonderful to note what progress the children in the first four grades have made in drawing.

They take such pleasure in making what they call, "A pretty picture," that it is a delight to see them at work, and when they come to measure and cut to construct some object, their hands can hardly work fast enough to get the thing done. In the grammar grades the subjects become more difficult for the pupils to grasp, and often cannot be interesting subjects for the young minds, in such cases children seem not to be able to get as good results as we might expect, but I am sure that the results we have secured in the object drawing this year are most satisfactory and the pupils have enjoyed this line of work more than usual. We have taken up the problems in foreshortening and perspective in a more thorough and interesting form, with the determination to lead the pupils and see shape, size and form clearly and accurately on their papers before they draw a stroke.

A short time ago most of the class would have finished a drawing lesson in fifteen minutes, now by taking time to think and plan their drawing well, over forty minute period is too short, but the results are much better.

As one of your grammar grade teachers said to me on my last visit, "I can see great improvement this year. We have not so much work to show but it's of much better quality." Drawing more than any other subject requires a great deal of time and patience to get results.

We have given some time to the study of color and color combinations, this study is important in many a business and is receiving much attention in schools now. In the spring or fall very creditable studies were made from nature specimens in pencil and colors.

Pupils from your schools were awarded prizes at the Northampton Fair for work taken from a single class lesson, others have received prizes and honorable mention from magazines. In the upper grammar grades, we now take up various problems in mechanical drawing and will give the time for the next three months to that line of work.

Respectfully submitted,

HELENA C. EVANS,

Supervisor of Drawing.

SCHOOL STATISTICS 1912-1913.

SCHOOLS.	Boys Enrolled	Girls Enrolled	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent. of Attendance	Total Days Attendance	Visits by Adults	State Wards	Boston Wards
Williamsburg High,.....	16	34	48.46	45.44	93.77	8970.5	36		
Grammar.....	14	21	31.33	30.22	96.46	5286.5	39	1	
Intermediate,.....	12	16	23.24	22.22	95.61	4970.5	40	3	
Primary.....	13	24	29.84	28.25	94.67	5252.5	22	3	
Searsville,.....	13	14	18.16	17.01	93.63	3040.5	28		
Nash Street,.....	10	3	10.74	10.35	95.87	1857.	12		4
Mountain Street,.....	8	6	11.75	10.75	91.50	1908.	51	2	
Skinnerville,.....	8	7	13.19	12.34	93.52	2202.5	40	5	
Haydenville High-Gram.....	14	11	20.35	18.95	93.43	3713.5	13		2
Grammar,.....	14	18	28.85	26.46	91.64	4748.	21	4	4
Intermediate.....	22	15	32.86	30.84	93.77	5529.	25	5	3
Third Primary,.....	29	16	38.33	35.35	91.55	6290.	19	6	2
Second Primary,.....	19	9	22.71	21.28	93.52	3811.	8	3	1
First Primary,.....	20	24	39.28	36.62	92.97	6522.5	43	2	
Totals,	212	218	369.09	346.08	93.77	64102.	397	34	16

REPORTS OF SCHOOL PHYSICIANS.

MR. E. W. GOODHUE,

Superintendent of Schools :

DEAR SIR :—I present herewith my annual report as School Physician for Haydenville.

Whole number of pupils examined,	216
Number of cases of decayed teeth,	61
Number of cases of pediculosis capitis,	42
Number of cases of adenoids and enlarged tonsils,	39
Number of cases of eczema,	2
Number of cases of scabies,	2
Number of cases of defective nutrition,	3
Number not vaccinated,	10
Number excused from vaccination,	2

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. WHEELER, M. D.

MR. E. W. GOODHUE,

Superintendent of Schools :

DEAR SIR :—Below please find my annual report as School Physician.

Total number of pupils examined,	219
Number cases of deceased tonsils and adenoids need- ing attention,	12
Number cases decayed teeth,	47
Number of pupils not vaccinated,	3
Number cases of pediculosis,	3

The pupils of the Intermediate School were examined twice, in February and again in September.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. HAYES, M. D.

SUMMARY OF EAR AND EYE EXAMINATION OF PUPILS.

Number of pupils examined,	413
Number found defective in eyesight,	32
Number found defective in hearing,	9
Number of parents notified,	35
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Total number of pupils in town,	421
Number between the ages of 5 and 14 years,	
Boys,	180
Girls,	177
Number between the ages of 7 and 16 years,	
Boys,	176
Girls,	173
Number over 16 years of age,	
Boys,	5
Girls,	8
Number of teachers graduated from normal schools,	5
Number attending without graduating,	2
Number graduated from colleges,	3
Number graduated from high school only,	5
Number of weeks of school in lower grades,	36
Number of weeks of school in High School,	40

GRADUATION EXERCISES OF WILLIAMSBURG HIGH SCHOOL.

Friday, June 27, 1913.

CLASS MOTTO—Nil Desperandum.

PROGRAM.

Music,	Haydenville Men's Club Orchestra
Song, "Soldier's Chorus from Faust,"	Gounod
Prayer,	Rev. John Pierpont
Salutatory and Essay, "Higher Education,"	Elizabeth Moore
Class History,	Alfred Dimes
Song, "Water Lilies,"	Karl Linders,
	High School Glee Club
Class Prophecy,	Elbridge Goodhue
Prophecy on the Prophet,	Roswell Jorgenson
Music,	Orchestra
Class Grinds,	Helen Loomis
Class Song,	Charlotte Ruth Warner,
	Sung by Seniors
Class Oration, "Radium,"	Marjorie Page
Chorus, "Italia,"	Donizetta
Valedictory and Essay, "The New Woman,"	Charlotte Miller
Address,	Rev. Henry G. Smith
Presentation of Diplomas,	Supt. E. W. Goodhue
Benediction,	Rev. Robert H. Life

HONOR LIST.

Charlotte Miller,	Elizabeth Skelding Moore,
Marjorie Mather Page,	Alfred Eustace Dimes.

CLASS OFFICERS.

President, Charlotte Miller.
 Vice-President, James Dolan.
 Secretary, Marjorie Page.
 Treasurer, Roswell Jorgenson.

CLASSICAL COURSE.

Charlotte Miller,	Helen Sarah Loomis,
Elizabeth Skelding Moore,	Ceressa Dwight Smith,
Elbridge Alvah Goodhue,	Marjorie Mather Page,
Roswell Stephen Jorgenson,	James Philip Dolan.

ENGLISH COURSE.

Alfred Eustace Dimes,	Martha Rebecca Marks,
Charlotte Ruth Warner,	Bertha Warner.

Class Colors, Green and White.
 Class Flower, Red Rose.

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT.

WILLIAMSBURG, MASS., Feb. 17, 1914.

We, the undersigned, certify that we have this day examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Water Commissioners, Library Fund Commissioners and School Committee and found them correct and properly vouched for to the best of our knowledge and belief.

THOMAS P. LARKIN,
 WALTER H. THAYER.

